



Navy College Office - News

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Accelerate your life with Navy College Programs!



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FALL REGISTRATION AND TUITION ASSISTANCE

Fall registration is underway. Course selections and delivery methods abound whether you are interested in traditional classroom courses, classes offered on the INTERNET, on the weekend, in the evening, on the TV or by satellite. Tuition assistance is available from any school accredited by an agency recognized by the Department of Education. Check with Navy College for specific schools. The key to getting the class or classes you want is to start early. In a few cases student withdrawals or incompletes have hindered the processing of the TA request. Remember - anyone that owes for an Incomplete (older than 6 months), an "F" or personal withdrawal must be cleared before tuition assistance can pay for new courses. See page two of this news bulletin for the Fall class registration and term dates.

TUITION ASSISTANCE POLICY CHANGE!!

At a recent Navy College Directors' Conference, it was announced that the policy regarding lateral degrees has been lifted. That means if a service member has the need or desire to pursue a second degree at the same level, we can fund it through tuition assistance! The Navy is very interested in breaking down barriers, real or perceived that you have regarding the pursuit of an education. This is one of many we hope to see changed!

SCHOOL VISITORS

Every month Navy College Rating Partners and SOCNV schools provide outreach information, briefings and counseling for current students and potential students.

Excelsior College (Individual appts.) 9 Aug 1300-1530

NOTE: Navy College schedules individual appointments before the school rep's visit. Walk-in appointments will be allowed if time slots are available.

VA TOP-UP RULES CHANGE...

A recent change in the law governing the Top-up program has implications for those already using their MGIB to supplement tuition assistance. The program now calls for service members to be charged one month of entitlement for every \$650 expended using the Top-up program. Everyone has 36 months of entitlement. For example, a student attending Saint Leo University taking two classes – total tuition is \$654.00; tuition assistance pays \$490.50, leaving \$163.50 for Top-up to cover. That benefit will cost the member approximately 0.25 of a month of entitlement. It would take this individual four terms to expend one month of entitlement. If there are any questions, please contact the Navy College Office.

AND THE SURVEY SAYS!

Many thanks to our Sailors and Marines - Officers and Enlisted who recently completed the triennial assessment survey. This INTERNET based survey was the first of it's kind for the Navy College Office. The lessons learned from this will be very instrumental in helping other Navy College Offices implement their surveys. We will use the survey results to plan the next three years of program offerings at the Navy College Oceana. All in all this was a very successful pilot and we appreciate the effort made by the organizations on base to make this project a reality! Look for our new base education plan due to be published this Fall.

TESTING SCHEDULE CHANGE – 17 SEPT SAT - CANCELLED

OUR FALL BIG EVENT - OCTOBER EDFEST

Navy College plans to join up with various local and partnership schools to offer our annual Fall event titled - October EDFEST will be held in the Galley on Tuesday 30 October from 1030 through 1300. Polka music, fabulous Galley cuisine and a "full menu" of educational opportunities will be offered. Stay tuned for more detailed information on all the participants in upcoming newsletters.

FEATURE ARTICLES: On page 3 of this edition we have included a special warning from DANTES on testing material scams. On page 9 of this edition we have a feature article on the misconceptions of starting college. If you or someone you know has delayed advancing your education, please see this very informative feature.

WHO STARTED THAT RUMOR ANYWAY?

One of the comments on the recent needs assessment survey was the Navy College programs were just for Enlisted personnel... **WRONG!!** We have a number of programs for our commissioned personnel and strongly encourage them to visit or call us to find out more. How about up to \$40,000 for a Master's degree? Interested? Call us at 433-3129.

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The Navy College Office Workshop Schedule

COLLEGE ORIENTATION is scheduled every Tuesday at 1100, Navy College Office, Bldg. 531.

No reservations are required. It is mandatory for all new students and strongly recommended for those who may not be familiar with all of the services and programs available through the Navy College Office. This workshop is strongly recommended for new students who are interested in individual counseling with one of our counselors. This class lasts approximately 1 & ½ hours.



Note: The Navy College Office will approve the first tuition assistance document for the new student; however, the student must attend the workshop **BEFORE** the second document is requested. We are always willing to work with students to meet the counseling requirement mandated by the tuition assistance program.

All students using tuition assistance **MUST PROVIDE** the Navy College Office with a formal degree plan. The plan must be on file **before five classes** are completed. We have all of the details to help YOU meet this requirement!

CAREER AND DEGREE PLANNING WORKSHOP - *Are you interested in going to school but not sure what classes or degree to pursue?* The Navy College Office has a workshop to address this issue. The *Career and Degree Planning Workshop* is available throughout the month. Upcoming workshops will be **Wednesday, 8 August or 22 August** from 1245 – 1600. Students interested in attending should call the Navy College Office in advance to reserve a seat. We will make every effort to accommodate Walk-ins if seats are available. Because interest inventories resources are limited, this workshop is restricted to NAS Oceana active duty personnel.

Upcoming Registration & Term Dates

School	Registration Dates	Term Dates
ECPI College of Technology (Microsoft Certified System Engineer)	Registration in progress, must see ECPI Rep	(Fiber Optics) (MCSE)
Tidewater Community College	09 Jul – 13 Jul (priority registration) 16 Jul – 22 Aug (regular registration)	23 Aug – 17 Oct (8 wk term) 23 Aug – 17 Dec (16 wk term)
Old Dominion University	Ongoing – 25 Aug	25 Aug – 15 Dec
Saint Leo University	18 Jul – 09 Aug	13 Aug – 06 Oct
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	09 Jul – 03 Aug	30 Jul – 06 Oct (Graduate) 06 Aug – 06 Oct (Undergrad)
Troy State University	16 Jul – 27 Jul	30 Jul – 07 Oct
Norfolk State University	Ongoing - 22 Aug	22 Aug – 16 Dec (16 wk term)
Southern Illinois University (offered at Dam Neck)	Ongoing – 24 Aug	25 Aug – 02 Dec
Florida Institute of Technology (offered at Dam Neck) (offered at NavSta & Dam Neck)	16 Jul – 27 Aug	27 Aug – 07 Dec

REGISTRATION AND COURSE INFORMATION – DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!



Apply for tuition assistance **EARLY** in the registration cycle to get the best selection of classes. Note, first time math and English students typically need to take the college's math and English placement tests. The Navy College Office has materials to help you prepare for these exams. **DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!!!**

A NOTE ABOUT INCLEMENT WEATHER

All of the schools on base have inclement weather policies. Please note when inclement weather strikes the colleges and universities will make an announcement regarding class cancellations. You should listen to the radio or local news for word on cancellations or delays. Schools generally follow the lead from the base. If the base is closed or if "BRAVO" personnel are secured, then the schools tend to cancel classes. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE QUARTERDECK,** they do not know the status of classes.



NAVY COLLEGE OFFICE TESTING NEWS

CONSUMER ALERT – TESTING SCAMS, DON'T BUY INTO IT!



Over the years, DANTES has published a variety of “Consumer Alert” articles in the DANTES Information Bulletin concerning fraudulent and misleading practices by a number of agencies. Because military members and their families are a large, concentrated target, they are highly vulnerable and in a position to be unique exploited. Many installations have large numbers of young Service members and their spouses who may be receiving their first regular paycheck, and who may lack the financial sophistication needed to recognize and avoid potential fraud. Education Officers, counselors, base legal officers, financial assistance advisors and Commanding Officers must be aware and provide a concerted effort to educate potential targets.

A major pattern of abuse has been identified across military installations within the U.S. in which unscrupulous salespersons use the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) name to sell “so-called” test preparation materials. These salesmen target military bases by scouring the East Coast during one year, then moving to the central United States, finally ending up at installations on the West Coast or overseas. Some set up tables at the Base Exchange, claiming they are authorized to sell encyclopedias and educational materials in the Navy Exchange and AAFES (Army/Air Force Exchange System); some claim to be from the base education center and make appointments in the member’s home.

The extreme mobility of both military members and military attorneys allows these sales companies to move around the country, change names, and operate until they are once again exposed and banned from the installation. Once this occurs, the companies simply move to a different region of the country.

A central theme of these unscrupulous agents is their continuous promise that they are selling CLEP home-study kits, which are supposed to prepare individuals for the CLEP test. Unfortunately, these study materials are *inadequate* for preparation and the claims made by these agents are *patently false*. Some study packages include encyclopedias, which are *not necessary*. To make matters worse, the materials often cost as much as \$2300. Some companies tell the Service members they can use TA or GI Bill benefits, *which is not accurate*. Contracts are normally written with a down payment of \$75, and the remainder in monthly payments of \$75 -\$80. When the Service members realize they have been cheated, they are told that they are obligated to reimburse or are threatened with destruction of their credit rating. Often the test preparation company and the lending party are in close alliance (or one in the same) and are purposely intimidating.

The companies promise quick, easy fixes to getting a degree through testing. Some include information on specific schools with External Degree Programs, such as Thomas Edison State College, Excelsior College and Charter Oak College, or imply that they represent one of these schools. Their sales materials may even include a sample diploma from one of these schools. All of these schools hire counselors to work with potential students and **DO NOT SELL TEST PREPARATION MATERIALS!**

There are a *variety of free or low-cost alternatives* for acquiring needed study references for CLEP and other credit-by-exam programs. CLEP Sample Tests are distributed to all DANTES Test Centers, available for Test Control Officers to download from the DANTES web site, and are available free to any Service member. DSST (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests) and ECE (Excelsior College Exams) study materials are available to anyone on the DANTES web site at <http://voled.doded.mil/dantes/exam/index.htm>. Service members can also obtain used textbooks at a college bookstore or college textbooks at base or local libraries.

When a military member has been induced by fraud or mistake to enter into a contract, that party may have the contract set aside and seeks restitution of those benefits lost by the transaction. Service members should see their base Education Counselor or Financial Advisor before signing anything. If they feel they have been misled into signing a fraudulent contract, they should contact their base legal office. If the company is selling CLEP preparation materials, alert the College Board, Mr. Clay Hensley, 212-713-8064 or E-mail him at chensley@collegeboard.org. Also, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is interested in companies who sell using unfair or deceptive practices. The FTC monitors predatory scams and frauds nationally. The member can file a complaint online at www.ftc.gov. Remember, if the offer from a company sounds too good to be true, it usually is!

Caveat Emptor – Let the buyer beware! Navy College is available to help you with all aspects of your educational program. Call us at 433-3129 or stop by the office in Bldg. 531, suiteN101.

MORE NAVY COLLEGE OFFICE TESTING NEWS

ROUTINE TESTING



Routine testing is available **every Wednesday and Thursday at 0845 & 1045**, in Bldg. 531, Room N102. Routine testing includes CLEP, DSST, Excelsior College Exams (ECE) and the GED. **Students taking ECE, DSST #SE450 or SF/SG 524 must test at 0845.** Testing is free for all active duty and reserve personnel. Eligible civilians may take CLEP & DSST exams on a space available basis for a fee (CLEP - \$46; DSST - \$27). The following is the projected schedule for June, July, August, and September.

UPCOMING MAJOR CHANGE TO THE GED!!

The GED, (high school equivalency exam) will undergo a major changes in January 2002. Students, who plan to take the GED under the current program, must complete all five parts before January 2002 or be subjected to the new exam requirements. Anyone who begins the battery but does not complete all five sections by the end of this calendar year will have to retake the entire battery. If the GED is something you or a shipmate needs to do, please contact Navy College as soon as possible. The GED is free to military personnel.

August		September		October		November	
Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Thursday	Wednesday	Thursday
01	02	05	06	03	04		01
08	09	12	13	10	11	07	08
15	16	19	20	17	18	14	15
22	23	26	27	24	25	21	Holiday
29	30			31		28	29

SPECIAL ORDER EXAMINATIONS

Test Title	Order by date	Test Date	Test Time
Excelsior College Exam w/Essay	30 Aug	5 Oct	0845 – Session ONLY
English Composition w/Essay	13 Sep	18 Oct	0845 or 1045

SAT/ACT SCHEDULE

Test	Date	Day of the Week	Time
ACT	13 Aug	Monday	0845
ACT	20 Aug	Monday	0845
SAT	10 September	Monday	0845
SAT	17 September/CANCELED	Monday	CANCELED
SAT	24 September	Monday	0845

More News on the SAT & ACT

SAT		ACT
Preferred by:	Private schools; schools on the east and west coasts	Public schools; schools in the middle of the country; more colleges prefer the SAT
Questions appear:	In order of difficulty	No particular order
Highest math level	Algebra/Basic Geometry; test booklet supplies formulas	Trigonometry (only 4 questions); test booklet rarely provides formulas
Skills tested:	Vocabulary and Reading; Math	Grammar and Reading; Math
Penalty for wrong answers?	Yes	No
Structure of test:	Verbal: two 30-min sections, one 15-min section Math: two 30-min sections, one 15-min section	English: one 45-min section Math: one 60-min section Reading: one 35-min section Science Reasoning: one 35-min section

The above information was obtained from The Princeton Review website.

Navy College Learning Center, NAS Oceana



Navy College Office, Building 531, Suite 106

HOURS: Monday – Thursday, 0900 - 1900

Closed: Friday & Saturday

Telephone: 433-2284

FREE, Computer based, Self-paced instruction

COURSEWARE OFFERINGS

FASTRACK:

- ◆ Language Arts
- ◆ Mathematics
- ◆ Reading

Science:

- ◆ Chemistry
- ◆ Physics
- ◆ Biology
- ◆ Earth Science

Work Skills:

- ◆ Applied Math
- ◆ Data Skills
- ◆ Reading for Information
- ◆ Writing in the Workplace

Social Studies:

- ◆ Social Studies

Life and Job Skills

Parenting Skills

Advanced Mathematics:

- ◆ Beginning Algebra
- ◆ Intermediate Algebra
- ◆ Advanced Algebra
- ◆ Trigonometry
- ◆ Calculus

Test Alignments:

Our Test Alignments recommend modules for students to complete to successfully prepare for the ASVAB, GED, SAT, ACT and CLEP tests

Why should I enroll at the NCLC?

- Prepare for the ASVAB
- Prepare for College
- Prepare for Military Exams and Schools
- Improve Writing Skills
- Personal Development
- Prepare for various CLEP/DSST exams
- Prepare for the SAT or ACT
- Prepare for college placement exams

Advantages of studying at the NCLC:

- Flexible scheduling
- Accommodates work-related absences
- Self-paced, computer-based study in quiet environment
- Facilitators available for individual assistance

Free to all active duty personnel, adult family members, retirees, reservists and DEP who have a valid US Military ID card!**

**Stop by the Navy College Learning Center
in Bldg. 531, Suite 106 to talk to Pam or Sarah
and explore the possibilities!**



**We are now able to include personnel that are "signed up" under the Delayed Entry Program (DEP), NJROTC and the Sea Cadet program.

ON BASE SCHOOL NEWS

TIDEWATER COMMUNITY COLLEGE – Associate Degrees



If you are thinking about college or a career, consider Tidewater Community College.

Interested in earning your real estate license? Fascinated by a career as an interpreter for the hearing-impaired? Dreaming about owning your own landscaping business? Seeking industry certifications for MSCE, Oracle or Cisco? TCC can help you to reach your college or career goals.

TCC offers over 70 programs and courses that can prepare you for state, national, and industry certifications and licenses. For a complete listing stop by the TCC office or contact the TCC Information Center at 822-1122.

Students interested in attending TCC for the Fall Semester need to act soon. Classes begin Thursday, August 23. TCC's on-base representative provides assistance with your applications form to the college, course registration, course selection, degree program information, on-base placement testing, and tuition payment services.

TCC offers over 500 courses at four campuses in Hampton Roads; Virginia Beach, Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and at area military installations. Classes are held day and evening in sixteen-week and eight-week format. If you are too busy to attend college during the week, try TCC's weekend college, online or cable TV courses. Pick up a Fall Schedule booklet at the TCC or Navy College Offices. Or better yet, stop in and see the TCC Representative for complete program information and enrollment services.

TCC's Fall Semester begins August 23, 2001.



Troy State University -- Graduate Degrees

There are several items of interest this month for Troy State students that will become effective in August, which is the beginning of our academic year.

TSU's tuition rate will increase effective July 30 to \$222/hour or \$666 per course. Even with this increase, Troy State is still extremely competitive with other schools in this area.

There are several academic program changes that will primarily effect new students.

In the MBA program, the prerequisite requirements have been reduced from 13 courses to 8 for those students who do not have an undergraduate degree in business.

In the MSM program, the General Management concentration has been eliminated, while adding a Healthcare Management and a Leadership & Organizational Effectiveness concentration. The MAN 5501 requirement has been eliminated and the MIS course has been dropped from the required core courses.

The MSFE program has been changed to simply a Master of Education. The program has been streamlined and course offerings updated to reflect the current conditions.



The representative at both Dam Neck and Oceana is Steve Hirsch. You can reach him Mon-Thurs at Dam Neck by calling 492-8127 between 0830 & 1130. He is at Oceana Mon-Fri 1200-1630. You can reach him there at 425-2066.

SCHOOL NEWS cont.

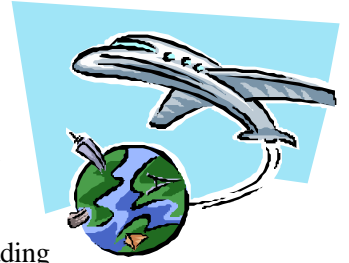
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University – Associate, Bachelor & Graduate Degrees

There is a lot more to aviation than just flying the planes. Find out what it takes to get ahead and succeed in today's challenging environment from The World's leader in aviation education.

ERAU offers Bachelor Degree programs in Professional Aeronautics & Management of Technical Operations; with Minors in Safety & Business; Associate Degrees in Professional Aeronautics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology; and a Master's program in Aeronautical Science with specialization areas in Operations, Safety, & Management.

ERAU offers specialized college-level classes in Aviation Maintenance Technology leading to a FAA Airframe & Powerplant license for qualified individuals. College credit is awarded for military training & education, FAA licenses, CLEP & DANTES exams and other work experience. Students with aviation ratings can earn up to one year or more of college credit.

Our Fall Term runs from August 6th through October 6th. Classes are available at the Oceana and Norfolk locations. For details about these programs or information on the classes offered this term, call us at 757-437-8061.



Old Dominion University – Bachelor & Graduate Degrees

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TEACHING ? *Learn More About the*
MILITARY CAREER TRANSITION PROGRAM and TROOPS TO TEACHERS

Topics Include:

- M.S. in Education with Teaching Licensure
- B.S./M.S. in Technology Education
- Teaching in Other States / Employment Prospects
- How to Get Started / How Long It Takes

Briefing locations and times:

- **Naval Station Norfolk** - **Thur, 16 Aug 01, 1030-1130**, Navy College Office (CEP-87, Rm. 212)
- **NAB Little Creek** - **Wed, 22 Aug 01, 1200-1300**, Navy College Office (Bldg. 3005)



TROOPS TO TEACHERS NEED YOU!!

The Troops to Teachers program is looking for military personnel interested in teaching as a second career. Anyone who is getting out of the military within the next 2 years who is interested in teaching in the public school system should consider applying. Check them out on the web at information: <http://voled.doded.mil/dantes/ttt>

Saint Leo University --Associate & Bachelor Degrees

CHANGES ABOUND AT SAINT LEO UNIVERSITY



Beginning with the August term, Saint Leo University will convert their term from nine weeks to eight weeks. To accommodate this change, evening classes on Monday through Thursday will run 5:00 pm – 7:40 pm and the second session will run 7:40 pm to 10:20 pm. Friday classes will run from 5:00 pm to 10:20 pm. Saturday classes will run 8:00 am-1:20 pm.

Every August a new academic year begins at Saint Leo University, which means that students who are not fully admitted must meet the requirements reflected in the new catalog. In order to be admitted a student must complete an application form, pay the \$35 fee, provide proof of high school or GED completion, and submit all transcripts (SMART) to the school for evaluation. AS a result a SOCNV agreement (program evaluation) will be generated.

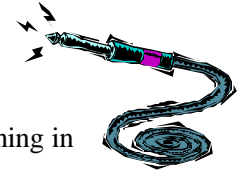
Finally, as of this August, the major in Business Administration with a specialty in Management Information Systems will no longer be offered. Students already enrolled in this program will be allowed to complete the degree. No new students will be accepted. Instead students will be offered a minor in Computer Information System along with the B.S. in Computer Information System.

Just a reminder, Saint Leo will continue to register new and continuing students through August 8th. The term begins Monday, August 13th. For more information on SLU please contact the Oceana office at 428-8395.

SCHOOL NEWS cont.

ECPI College of Technology – MCSE, Fiber Optics, Associate Degrees

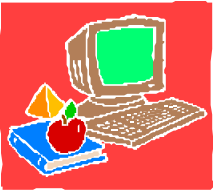
FIBER OPTICS TECHNICIAN



ECPI College of Technology (Virginia Beach, Virginia Campus) will offer a new 36 hour Electronics Technicians Association (ETA) Certified Fiber Optics Technician (CFOT) class beginning in September. Students who complete both the Fiber Optic Installer class and the new Fiber Optic Technician class will be awarded a Certificate Of Achievement in Fiber Optics Technology. This new Certificate program consists of the two Fiber Optics classes totaling 60 clock hours and 3 college credits, and is approved for tuition assistance. The program is designed to teach students the knowledge and skills needed to splice and terminate fiber optic cable and to certify and troubleshoot fiber optic cable networks. Graduates will be prepared to take the Electronics Technicians Association's Fiber Optic Installer and Fiber Optic Technician certification examinations. These examinations will be administered as part of the curriculum for their respective classes.

The Fiber Optics Installer class, FIB 100, consists of 24 hours of classroom and "hands on" laboratory instruction in the characteristics, preparation, and installation of fiber optic cable. Students will be instructed in the various tools and techniques utilized to splice, test, and terminate fiber optic cable with additional emphasis placed on the application of learned skills.

The Fiber Optics Technician class, FIB 101, consists of 36 hours of classroom and "hands on" laboratory instruction in the techniques and procedures utilized to certify and troubleshoot fiber optic cable networks. Students will certify or troubleshoot different cable systems with a combination of fibers, connectors, and splices. FIB 100 Fiber Optics Installer, is a pre-requisite for entry into this class. Fiber optics technicians maintain fiber optic cable systems that carry both voice and digital transmissions. They install the cables following precise schematics. They locate and repair defects in existing systems, placing, rearranging, and removing cables when necessary. They also install supports and insulation and perform other tasks to maintain cables. With computer networks, these technicians run the cable through the office building to connect the computers. Fiber optics is an evolving technology with uses in telephone, cable television, and computer networking..



MICROSOFT CERTIFIED SYSTEMS ENGINEER (WIN 2000) WITH A+

The next start date for the MCSE/A+ program is currently underway. The MCSE with A+ Program is a series of course modules designed to prepare individuals to successfully complete the corresponding Microsoft and CompTia Certification Examinations, which result in MCSE (Windows 2000) and A+ Certification. The program consists of 292 clock hours of classroom and laboratory instruction in PC Operating Systems, PC Maintenance, and the administration of Windows 2000 based computer networks. Successful completion of the college entrance exam is required for admission into the program. The exam is free and will be administered on base each Wednesday at 1300 or by appointment.

OCEANA COURSE SCHEDULE (AUG – NOV 2001)

Course No.	Title	Start Dates
CET100	A+ Prep	Oct 19
FIB100	Fiber Optics Installer	Aug 25
NET30	Win 2000 Essentials	Sep 12
NET60	Implementing Win 2000	Nov 5
NET90	Designing Win 2000	Sep 13
NET100	Win 2000 Network Infrastructure	Nov 1

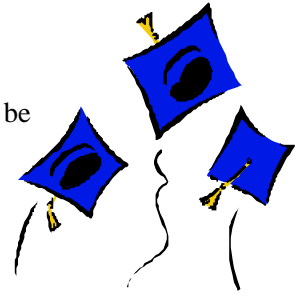
If you would like to learn more about these technical certification programs, or any of the AAS Degree Programs offered at ECPI COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY call the Oceana on-site representative at 491-5755 or email rhollingsworth@ecpi.edu. A complete schedule of upcoming certification classes is available on our web site www.ecpi.edu.

SCHOOL NEWS cont.

MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT GOING TO SCHOOL!

The following was written by Frank J. Bruno, Ph.D., in *Going Back to School . . .*

MISCONCEPTION 1: College is Only for Bright People. College students don't need to be "gifted," superior, or endowed with unusual mental abilities. Most college graduates are perfectly ordinary people in terms of memory, attention span, arithmetical understanding, comprehension of concepts and other mental abilities.



MISCONCEPTION 2: College is Only for Creative People. This is an even greater falsehood than misconception 1. Relax, you need to LEARN in college, not invent ideas.

MISCONCEPTION 3: You Have to Be Young to Go to College. If you're 25 years or older you'll have plenty of companionship. School is full of other adults. What you're doing is realistically working toward your academic goals and vocational dreams.

MISCONCEPTION 4: You Have to Have a Lot of Free Time to Go to College. This misconception is based on the familiar image of the full-time college student - an out-of-date, traditional image. It's best when attending college part-time to take only two or three classes. If the class schedule can be arranged in terms of your work or family responsibilities, you can find times and places to study.

MISCONCEPTION 5: It Takes a Lot of Money to Go to College. It's true that there are basic costs, such as enrollment fees, tuition and textbooks. However, the average community college is subsidized by state and local taxes. Consequently, fees may be relatively low. If money is very tight, consult the college's financial aid office. There are both grants and loans available to most students.

MISCONCEPTION 6: You Have to Pass Entrance Examinations in Order to Go to College: Times have changed. Although high scores on standardized examinations such as the SAT are required for direct admission to SOME state universities and selective private colleges, this is not true of community colleges.

MISCONCEPTION 7: You Need to Know What You Want. If you don't know what area you want to pursue, declare something general such as Liberal Arts. This is perfectly acceptable. If you're aiming toward an eventual bachelor's degree, the first two years of college are taken up primarily by general education requirements. In most cases, you'll not have to take more than two or three courses in your major in your first two years. And you can change your major readily after you complete the first two years. Many students use the first two years as way of DISCOVERING what they want to major in.

MISCONCEPTION 8: You'll be Neglecting Your Children If You Go to College. Thousands of parents attend college and on the whole are BETTER parents as a result of their college experience. They have more to give to their children because their own mental and emotional needs are nurtured. And they provide inspiring role models. You won't be slighting them by seeking higher education. It's more likely that you'll be opening a pathway.

MISCONCEPTION 9: College Graduates Don't Really Earn That Much More than Non-College Graduates. While a high level of education is not the only road to financial success in the United States, the average college graduate earns about twice as much money per year than the average high school graduate.

Navy College Office & School POC Information

You are encouraged to contact the school of your choice for program information and class schedules.

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ECPI College of Technology

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